Darling Downs Health











Darling Downs Health Board Meeting 31 January 2023

Summary of the key issues discussed, and decisions made by the Board

A meeting of the Darling Downs Health Board (the Board) was held on Tuesday 31 January 2023, at Chinchilla.

Monday 30 January 2023

The Board took the opportunity to tour Jandowae and Tara Hospitals on Monday 30 January 2023. During their site visits they met with staff members and thanked them for their dedication to providing excellent patient care and health services to the community.

The Board received a comprehensive presentation regarding activity, workforce, infrastructure and achievements at the Chinchilla Hospital from:

- Dr Ghassan Abiad, Medical Superintendent Chinchilla Hospital
- Jessica Makin, Nurse Unit Manager Chinchilla Hospital

Tuesday 31 January 2023

The Board meeting was chaired by Mr Mike Horan AM and attended by nine Board members.

A range of matters were dealt with at the Board meeting including:

- The Board received reports provided by the Board Executive, Finance and Board Safety & Quality Committees.
- The Board discussed the Chief Finance Officer's monthly report and noted the financial position of the health service for the financial year.
- Annette Scott, Health Service Chief Executive provided a comprehensive report to the Board on the operations, activity, and governance of DDH in line with identified service priorities and performance indicators.
- Dr Paul Clayton, Executive Director Infrastructure attended the meeting providing a comprehensive report on the New Toowoomba Hospital Project.
- Ms Louise Judge, President of the Chinchilla Community Centre presented to the Board on opportunities and challenges experienced by the Chinchilla community.
- The Board received regular internal updates regarding:
 - Workplace Health and Safety.
 - Infrastructure.
 - Aged Care.
 - Indigenous Health.
 - Consumer and Community Engagement.

A Community Consultation Luncheon was held with key community stakeholders, Chinchilla Hospital Management Team, staff and Community members to discuss health services in the region.

The Board Chair thanked the staff for their dedication and continued efforts in providing excellent patient care and services to the Darling Downs community.

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